



Storm the Gates of Hell

Description

For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. (2 Corinthians 10:3-4)

The above verse makes it very clear that we are in a war. I think we too often forget this. As Christians, we forget that there is an Enemy out to destroy us. We forget to prepare for battle daily. Sometimes we even act as though the war is over. No matter how much we ignore the war or pretend it doesn't exist... it still never goes away.

I'm not talking about the war overseas or the wars that men fight. I'm talking about the war for your soul. The war for your thoughts. The war for your God given abilities. The war for your family. The war for your marriage. The war for your health. Anyone who has decided to give their lives to Christ, stepped into a battle zone.

Thankfully, God has given us the weapons to fight with. God's weapons are bigger, better, and badder than the Enemy's weapons. It's time to pack your arsenal with God's Word and prepare to fight the battles that you face. Let's not give the Enemy any more territory in our lives. Let's claim what is rightfully ours in Jesus Christ and move forward with a battle plan.

This week, I will be diving into this subject. I will be praying that God gives me the words to speak, to teach you how to fight in this battle and come out victorious. May we stand together and become aware of the Enemy's attacks.

It's time to storm the Gates of Hell. Are you with me? [Greg Boyd](#) tackles this in his book "Is God to Blame?" Let's take a look at what he has to say,

Jesus' first teaching about the church in the Gospels is that "the gates of Hades (Hell) will not prevail against it" (Mt. 16:18)... The "gates of Hades" represents everything that resists God's loving will for the earth. Whenever people believe lies, the church is to storm the gates of Hades by proclaiming truth. Whenever people are treated as worthless, the church is to break through the gates of Hades, proclaiming that God created all people to have infinite value. Whenever people are oppressed by poverty, the church is to proclaim and work for justice. Whenever people are physically afflicted, the

church is to proclaim and practice healing. Whenever people are oppressed by demonic powers, the church is to proclaim and practice deliverance. Whenever people are separated by racism, the church is to work to manifest the one new humanity Jesus died to create (Eph. 2:14). All these evils constitute the "gates of Hades" the church must overthrow. By word and especially by deed, we are to express the truth that God is unsurpassable love, which he wants all to participate in.

My prayer is that you will be able to recognize the schemes of the Enemy by the end of this week. And may you not only recognize them, but learn how to defend yourself against them. Let's take a look at God's Word together and find out what it means to wage war with the weapons of God. Please take time to read the passages that I share with you. This study will only be as effective, as your willingness to dig deep into God's Word. Find out how God wants to give you victory through your battles!

Read more of the Battle Plan [2 Corinthians 10](#)

Dear Father God, I recognize that there is an Enemy waging war against my soul. I see daily the tactics that Satan uses to distract, destroy, and devastate my life. I want to learn how to stand my ground against him. I want to be effective in this battle for you Lord. May I learn the weapons I have in this spiritual warfare and learn how to use them effectively.

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